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FROM : SA W. HARLAN BROWN

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On 4/25/63, DL-6-S, in person, furnished a type-written report to SA W. HARLAN BROWN, which report is dated 4/23/63, and has been serialized as 134-1A-748.

That report revealed that on 4/23/63, a regular meeting of the Dallas CP was held in BILL LOWERY's car in front of JOE LANDIN's house. Those present were bill lowery, AUGUSTIN ESTRADA, and JOE LANDIN.

According to informant, JOE LANDIN reported that he had started working with the GI Forum (the North Dallas GI Forum). He also cited the brief picketing the NAACP did at a South Dallas drug store. The NAACP, in this case, wanted the store to hire Negro personnel. LANDIN, according to informant, recalled that PASO's local chairman, J. O. GARCIA, had made derogatory remarks about Latin-Americans at a PASO rally. In short, he had charged, publicly, that these people's social and economic plight was due to their apathy. He had echoed the remarks of a West Dallas leader who had pictured Latins always with hands outstretched, asking for handouts. Some of these remarks, LANDIN added, appeared in the press. He with-

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1 - 100-9734 (G.I. Forum)	(John Stanford, IS-C, SA #100-7222)
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held criticism of GARCIA's remarks because he realized the fallacy of them; that there was no one to replace GARCIA, and he (LANDIN) had often, since that rally, wondered if GARCIA was the right person to head PASO. LOWERY and ESTRADA contended that GARCIA was the logical person for that position since no one else could, at this time, replace him. JOE LANDIN recalled the very fine work GARCIA had done. He wondered if getting other PASO members to constructively criticize J. O. GARCIA when he made such derogatory remarks would do the trick. BILL LOWERY and ESTRADA urged him to do that. JOE LANDIN reported that at the GI Forum meeting the CONTRERAS brothers had discussed Cuba with him. While the meeting was an informal one, the discussion had been a good one. The two brothers believed that the Cubans could provoke a third World War; they were sure that they had created an economic problem in the U. S., competing with other minorities for jobs. It seemed they surmised, that all the rich Cubans came to the United States while the servants and other menial workers remained slaves in CASTRO's Cuba. Their mother, RICHARD CONTRERAS said, had told some Cubans that the suffering they claimed to have undergone was really nothing, that she and her neighbors had been herded off like cattle and shipped away from their homes. (CONTREARAS did not say where this happened.) BILL LOWERY and ESTRADA were glad that this discussion had taken place even though the meeting had been an informal one.

Informant determined that Congressman WILLIAM CLAYTON POWELL was discussed by BILL LOWERY, at which time LOWERY said he did not know what to believe about POWELL. JOE LANDIN said he believed the man was an opportunist; a bad representative for his people. He said he, at one time, had attended an Afro-Asian Conference and pictured America as a haven for Negroes. ESTRADA recalled that POWELL had gone there to undo the good that PAUL ROBESON had done. It was stated that WINSTON and DAVIES, two CP members, had even tried to discourage him from making that trip.

Informant had no additional information.